

## CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

### NOTES OF THE MEETING 28.10.2014.

Vice-President Alan Holverson welcomed 14 members to the meeting and introduced **Cliff Hurst** with his display entitled **Newfoundland**. Cliff described the history, geology and topography of the country. The control of Newfoundland changed many times in the past ending as a French Colony. He then displayed philatelic material from 1857 with the first issued stamp and various cards. There was a currency change in 1865 and material shown included colour trials, proofs, samples, flaws and variations in perforations from different printers. From 1897 commemorative designs were shown including anniversaries and royal events with colour trials, postal stationery and post cards. The first half concluded with World War I issues, post-war flight commemoratives and airmail stamps and cachets.

The second half featured many airmail covers and stamps, including forgeries, over-printed stamps due to shortages, surcharged stamps plus the 1935 Jubilee issues and commemoratives of royal visits. The airmails to Newfoundland came from many countries plus bisects and over-printings. World War II examples of flights included mail with American stamps from US bases on Newfoundland and later Pan-Am flights. Stamps commemorating 1919 independence were shown as were postage dues as well as 1949 when Newfoundland was incorporated into Canada.

Members viewed the interesting and colourful display and the meeting closed at 21.20 hours.

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